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1. In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with the procedures of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and M.P.E.P. § 609, attorneys for Applicant hereby brings the following references to the attention of the Examiner. The references are listed on the attached modified PTO Form No. 1449. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.
2. A copy of each patent, publication or other information listed on the attached modified PTO form 1449 is **not** enclosed since they were previously cited by or submitted to the Patent Office in prior application Serial No. **09/542,234**, filed **April 4, 2000**, which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120.

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